

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION

Conferring Upon the Board's Chair
Authority to Establish a Special Panel
to Study and Report on
The Presence Requirement Applicable to Eligible Aliens

[Resolution 98-011]

WHEREAS the Corporation's appropriations act and its regulation on the representation of aliens require that an alien be present in the United States in order to be eligible for legal assistance from an LSC grantee; and

WHEREAS there is a question regarding when such alien must be "present in the United States;"

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Chair of the Board is authorized to establish and appoint the membership of a Special Panel to study the issue and report back to the Board on the Panel's findings regarding when such alien must be "present in the United States;" and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the panel is authorized to hold public hearings and take testimony from interested parties to aid in its study of the issue of when such alien must be "present in the United States;"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Panel shall compile a factual record and prepare findings, and transmit both to the Board, along with any



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recommendations it may have, to inform the Corporation's interpretation of the presence requirement and/or provide the basis for any remedial action(s), such as a rulemaking by the Corporation or a request for legislative action by the Congress.

Adopted by the Board of Directors on November 16, 1998

Douglas/S. Eakeley, Chair/

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